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Re App : Gheng Zhang et al : October 31, 2001
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment Under Rule 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in response to the Final Office Action dated July 31, 2001 in the above-identified patent application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees listed in 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1265. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Yours very truly,

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I hereby certify that the Amendment in response to the Final Office Action dated July 31, 2001 in application Serial No. 09/206,329, filed on December 8, 1998, of Gheng Zhang et al, entitled "AUTOCAPTURE PACING/SENSING CONFIGURATION, and a transmittal letter are being sent by facsimile transmission to: The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on October 31, 2001.

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